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Proposed Information Collection (Acquisition Regulation (VAAR) Clause 852.270-3,
Purchase of Shellfish)

Activity: Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of Management, Department of Veterans Affairs

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: The Office of Management (OM), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov; or to Ricky Clark, Office of Acquisition and Logistics (003A2A), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420; or e-mail: Ricky.clark@va.gov. Please

refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0589" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ricky L. Clark at (202) 632-5400, Fax (202) 343-1434

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501 – 3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c) (2) (A) of the PRA.

Titles: Veterans Affairs Acquisition Regulation (VAAR) Clause 852.270-3, Purchase of Shellfish

OMB Control Number: 2900-0589

Type of Review: Extension without change of a previously approved collection

Abstract: VAAR clause 852.270-3 requires that a firm furnishing shellfish to VA must ensure that the shellfish is packaged in a container that is marked with the packer's State certificate number and State abbreviation. In addition, the firm must ensure that the container is tagged or labeled to show the name and address of the approved producer or shipper, the name of the State of origin, and the certificate number of the approved producer or shipper. This information normally accompanies the shellfish from the packer and is not information that must be separately obtained by the seller. The information is needed to ensure that shellfish

purchased by VA comes from a State- and Federal-approved and inspected source. The information is used to help ensure that VA purchases healthful shellfish. The contracting officer will use the information to evaluate whether or not the item offered meets the specification requirements.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit and Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Annual Burden: .5 hours

Estimated Average: Burden per Respondent: 1 minute

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 25

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By direction of the Secretary.

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